(v) fuel switching to cleaner energy

(vi) afforestation and conservation of forests

(vii) promotion of clean coal technologies

(viii) reduction of gas flaring

(ix) encouraging Mass Rapid Transport systems

(x) environmental quality management for all sectors

(c) and (d) Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas has introduced a Bio-diesel Purchase Policy with effect from 1.1.2006. Under this Policy, Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) will purchase bio-diesel for blending with High Speed Diesel (HSD) to the extent of 5% at 20 identified purchase centres across the country. OMCs would buy bio-diesel at a uniform landed price, which is to be reviewed every six months. At present, the purchase price of bio-diesel is at Rs. 26.50 per litre with effect from 22.8.2006.

(e) Does not arise.

Mapping of 'Inviolate Areas' in Tiger Reserves

458. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government with an aim to project Tigers is mapping out 'inviolate areas' in every tiger reserve;

(b) in how many tiger reserves the mapping of 'inviolate areas' has taken up for inplementation and furnish the details of the progress made thereon;

(c) if so, whether any money has been earmarked to pay the tribal families identified for relocation and for the said mapping;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. The criteria for establishing the core or critical tiger habitat in tiger reserves has been finalised, an action has been taken for delineating such areas by States based on the assessment made by Project Tiger (now the National Tiger Conservation Authority) and the Wildlife Institute of India.

(c) and (d) An amount of Rs. 30 crores has been allocated for village relocation to create inviolate areas in identified core or critical tiger habitats in tiger reserves during the current financial year.

(e) Question does not arise.

Emission causing climate change

459. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether industrial and highly developed countries, who are the members of the Inter Government Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) under the UN, have taken any initiative to bear the greatest responsibility to reduce emission that cause climate change;